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A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a planning group for unifying state
2 administration of services utilized by elderly and disabled
3 Iowans.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. ELDERLY AND DISABILITY SERVICES PLANNING GROUP.
1 2 1. A planning group is established to develop a plan for
1 3 unifying the state administration of services utilized by
1 4 elderly Iowans who are age sixty or older and Iowans with a
1 5 disability who are age eighteen to fifty-nine. The plan shall
1 6 address options for implementing the unification through
1 7 legislation, funding changes, or other appropriate means. The
1 8 plan shall address the services paid for or provided for
1 9 elderly Iowans and Iowans with a disability by the departments
1 10 of elder affairs, human services, and public health. Staffing
1 11 services for the planning group shall be provided by the three
1 12 departments and the planning group may accept assistance from
1 13 other sources. The plan shall be submitted to the governor
1 14 and the general assembly on or before December 15, 2005, and
1 15 an interim report shall be submitted on or before December 15,
1 16 2004.
1 17 2. The unification plan shall be designed to achieve the
1 18 following goals:
1 19 a. Provide for a more effective delivery of services to
1 20 persons who are elderly or have a disability.
1 21 b. Create financial efficiencies.
1 22 c. Create more accountability.
1 23 3. The membership of the planning group shall be as
1 24 follows:
1 25 a. The directors of the three departments or the
1 26 directors' designees.
1 27 b. A director or an area agency on aging appointed by
1 28 agreement of the directors of the state's area agencies on
1 29 aging.
1 30 c. A representative of the governor appointed by the
1 31 governor.
1 32 d. A representative of the American federation of state,
1 33 county, and municipal employees appointed by council 61.
1 34 e. A representative of banking or another industry in this
1 35 state that has experienced significant reorganization or
2 1 restructuring appointed by the legislative council.
2 2 f. The chief executive officer of a united way
2 3 organization located in Iowa appointed by the legislative
2 4 council.
2 5 g. The president of an Iowa resource center for nonprofit
2 6 organizations appointed by the state board of regents.
2 7 h. The president of the university of northern Iowa or the
2 8 president's designee.
2 9 i. The president of the largest private employer in the
2 10 state or the president's designee appointed by the legislative
2 11 council.
2 12 j. An individual retired as president of the state's
2 13 largest private health insurer who has served as mayor of
2 14 Iowa's largest city, designated by the governor to serve as
2 15 honorary chairperson.
2 16 k. Two members of the senate to serve as ex officio,
2 17 nonvoting members, with one member each appointed by the
2 18 majority leader and the minority leader of the senate. The
2 19 members appointed under this paragraph shall also be serving
2 20 as a senate representative on the commission of elder affairs

2 21 or the senior living coordinating unit.
2 22 1. Two members of the house of representatives to serve as
2 23 ex officio, nonvoting members, with one member each appointed
2 24 by the speaker of the house and the house minority leader.
2 25 The members appointed under this paragraph shall also be
2 26 serving as a house representative on the commission of elder
2 27 affairs or the senior living coordinating unit.
2 28 m. An individual affiliated with a major university public
2 29 or business administration program appointed by the governor
2 30 to serve as chairperson.
2 31 n. The president of the AARP Iowa chapter or the
2 32 president's designee.
2 33 o. The director of the Iowa governor's developmental
2 34 disabilities council.
2 35 p. The chief executive officer of a multifaceted
3 1 organization providing home and community-based services,
3 2 including mental health, mental retardation, housing, and
3 3 related services.
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